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School Bus Safety Week October 14-20, 2007

The National School Transportation Association (NSTA) and the National Association for Pupil Transportation (NAPT) are promoting **School Bus Safety Week, October 14-20, 2007**. School districts are encouraged to plan special events highlighting school bus safety. Almost 60,000 students ride a school bus to and from school each day in Montana. There are about 2,800 school buses that travel over 18 million miles per school year on school bus routes in Montana. As a nation, approximately 22.5 million, or 54% of all K-12 students ride school buses to and from school.

Contact your district's pupil transportation director and plan educational activities to teach pupils, parents and motorists about school bus safety. For additional information visit some of the web sites listed below.

Encourage teachers and students to take part in the annual National School Bus Safety Week poster contest. Young artists get a chance to win prizes and have their posters entered in the national contest! Poster contest rules and entry information are enclosed for your convenience.

School Bus Safety Web Sites Especially for Kids

**These are some great web sites that are made just for children!
They are very colorful, interactive and easy to use!**

http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/kids	National Highway Safety Administration's Safety City
http://www.ncbussafety.org	School Bus Safety Web - North Carolina (Teacher's Area and Classroom Exercises)
http://legal.firn.edu/kids/bus.html	Florida's School Bus Safety for Kids Only

The 2007 Theme is: "Stop on Red, Kids Ahead"

The 2008 Theme is: "Avoid Harm, Obey the Stop Arm"

Please mail entries for the state contest by September 20, 2007 to:

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